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Pennsylvania Broilers

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Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Up 6 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending April 1, 2006, were 3,118,000, up 6 percent from the week and slightly above corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 4 percent below one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 4,102,000, up 10 percent from the previous week and up 1 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 1 percent below the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 177,359,000, up slightly from the previous week and up slightly from the

corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were slightly below one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 213,434,000, up 1 percent from the previous week and up slightly from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is slightly above the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending May 27, 2006, will be 2,923,000, down slightly from a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 171,887,000, slightly above the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

Period Covered	Pennsylvania			19 States		
	Number (1,000)	Percent		Number	Percent	
		Previous Week	Year Earlier	(1,000)	Previous Week	Year Earlier
Broilers Placed						
Past Week	3,118	106	100	177,359	100	100
Past 9 Weeks	26,192	NA	96	1,579,069	NA	100
Eggs Set						
Past Week	4,102	110	101	213,434	101	100
Past 3 Weeks	11,900	NA	99	638,742	NA	100
Expected Marketings						
Week Ending:						
May 27, 2006	2,923	NA	100	171,887	NA	100

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending March 25, 2006, totaled 2,352,000 head with an average live weight of 5.36 pounds.

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

		Week Ending						
State	Feb 25 2006	Mar 4 2006	Mar 11 2006	Mar 18 2006	Mar 25 2006	Apr 1 2006		
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand		
AL	31,815	31,810	31,895	31,866	31,929	31,790		
AR	31,038	*31,029	30,868	31,164	30,561	30,151		
DE	3,987	3,920	3,872	3,742	3,781	3,781		
FL	1,354	1,373	1,364	1,369	1,365	1,364		
GA	34,226	34,816	34,827	34,980	34,004	35,187		
KY	7,120	*7,129	*7,162	7,154	6,763	7,124		
LA	4,166	4,166	4,088	4,136	4,136	3,756		
MD	8,901	8,871	8,977	8,980	8,964	8,628		
MS	18,108	18,392	18,439	18,439	18,326	18,528		
ND	19,355	19,477	*19,219	18,945	*18,603	18,043		
OK	6,759	6,617	6,633	6,657	6,510	6,659		
PA	3,333	4,214	3,947	*4,118	*4,052	3,746		
SC	5,369	5,339	5,444	5,425	5,171	5,382		
TX	15,144	15,189	15,266	15,184	15,180	13,455		
VA	6,296	6,410	6,577	6,644	6,607	6,561		
CA, MO, TN, & WV	18,210	18,202	18,361	*17,942	*17,863	17,987		
19 State Total	215,181	*216,954	*216,939	*216,745	*213,815	212,142		
Previous Year Total	213,897	213,989	214,750	213,629	213,135	212,819		
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	101	101	101	100	100		

^{*}Revised.

Broiler Chicks Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending						
State	Feb 25	Mar 4	Mar 11	Mar 18	Mar 25	Apr 1	
	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	2006	
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	
AL	21,339	21,298	21,608	*22,039	21,700	21,923	
AR	23,863	24,141	23,761	*25,114	*25,367	24,248	
DE	5,648	5,207	6,049	5,319	*6,002	6,235	
FL	1,498	1,494	1,451	1,541	*1,536	1,471	
GA	27,129	27,560	28,060	27,986	*28,573	27,947	
KY	5,913	4,925	6,435	5,815	5,741	6,047	
LA	4,174	3,806	4,048	3,830	3,831	4,149	
MD	5,022	5,194	4,949	5,091	*4,852	4,820	
MS	16,428	16,541	16,272	16,514	16,428	16,490	
ND	15,346	15,346	15,577	15,839	15,323	15,597	
OK	5,391	5,242	5,205	*4,186	5,095	5,319	
PA	2,732	2,844	2,730	2,986	2,936	3,118	
SC	4,338	5,152	4,611	4,721	*4,849	4,497	
TX	12,622	12,920	12,885	13,071	13,101	13,055	
VA	5,092	5,235	5,110	5,646	5,098	4,916	
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,607	16,756	17,033	17,668	*16,452	17,527	
19 State Total	173,142	173,661	175,784	*177,366	*176,884	177,359	
Previous Year Total	176,799	176,267	176,772	176,235	176,843	176,671	
Pct. of Prev. Year	98	99	99	101	100	100	

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